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Subject: **Product Obsolescence – SoftShield 7000**

Effective *April 1st 2008* Parker Chomerics will no longer accept orders for it's SOFT-SHIELD® 7000 as we are discontinuing the product line. All products with Chomerics part numbers beginning with "92" are part of the SoftShield 7000 family. Effective *immediately, September 13th 2007* no new customers, samples or applications will be supported using Soft Shield 7000.

In an effort to transition customers to alternate gasket solutions, Chomerics can provide two options for replacement of SoftShield 7000 at this time.

Option 1: Chomerics will offer its SoftShield 5000 product as replacement for SoftShield 7000.

Comparison of SoftShield 5000 to SoftShield 7000		
	SoftShield 7000	SoftShield 5000
Gasket Core	Silicone	Urethane
Gasket Wrap	Ni/Cu	Ni/Cu
Temperature Rating	125 C	70 C
Compression Set (at 70C)	0%	10%
Compression Set (at 125C)	10%	Not recommended

Option 2: If your application requires silicone (due to temperature or mechanical restraints); Chomerics may be able to offer an extruded conductive silicone or other higher temperature polymers.

Chomerics regrets any inconvenience this has caused and will work with you during this transition. Please contact your local TSM, our Applications Engineering group or our web site www.chomerics.com for alternate solutions.

Sincerely,

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